

C33 professional, 80mm lens and high speed Ektachrome film pushed to 400 ASA. Using the available light in the tank, Harrison exposed the film at f.2.8 at 1/8th of a second.

The autumn scene on pages 2-3 was photographed around 5 p.m. on a clear day during the first week of October, 1968, at Waits River, Vermont, by Gene Ahrens. He used a 4x5 Linhof Super Technika with a 135mm Schneider-Kreuznach Symmar lens. Exposure was 1/10th of a second at f.20 on daylight Ektachrome.

The one year old red fox on the back cover was photographed in northern Benton County, Oregon, in March, 1969, by Robert B. Smith of Corvallis, Oregon. He used a Bronica camera with 135mm lens, Ektachrome X film and an electronic flash with two heads. Exposure was 1/50th of a second at f.22.

100,000 SNOWMOBILES IN MINNESOTA

Minnesota has more snowmobiles per capita than any state and only Michigan has more total ownership. Four states—Minnesota, Michigan, Wisconsin and New York—make up 55 percent of national sales.

Porcupine quill

frames, and the cupboards and furniture of cabins and cottages. Nothing short of death halts the damage, for the dim-witted porky understands neither threats nor property rights.

There are probably as many theories about how porcupines mate as there are about how baby possums get into the pouch. The simple truth is that the female is careful to keep her tail and quills out of the way, and copulation takes place in the conventional manner.

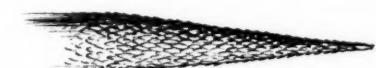
But there normality ceases. As a rule only one young is produced—in itself remarkable for a member of the prolific rodent family. What's more, this infant often weighs more than a pound, which is considerable for a mother weighing from twelve to twenty pounds. A black bear weighs only half as much at birth. As you might imagine, the newborn porky is well developed. Its eyes are open, its hair is dark and thick, its quills are fully formed and up to an inch in length. The latter are soft at birth, but within an hour or two have hardened to become the formidable weapons for which all porcupines are respected.

MORE GARBAGE THAN EVER

About 350 million tons of residential and industrial garbage will be hauled away by 337,000 garbage men in the United States this year. And the average American accounts for 5.3 pounds of household trash every day. This enormous problem of disposal has led some cities to programs which a few decades ago would have been fantastic—San Francisco decided to ship 1,300 tons of garbage daily by rail to a dumping area 375 miles away in Lassen County.

WRIGHT, UDALL NAMED DIRECTORS

M. A. Wright, Chairman of the Board of Humble Oil and Refining Company, and Stewart L. Udall, Secretary of the Interior during the Kennedy-Johnson Administrations, have been elected to three-year terms on the National Wildlife Federation Board of Directors. Wright came up through the ranks and was elected Humble's chief executive in June, 1966 after beginning as an oil field roustabout. Udall is nationally recognized for putting vitality into the conservation movement during his years at the Department of the Interior.



Tip (enlarged)



On the defensive



Cast aluminum skillet gnawed by porcupines

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Lewis & Clark Expedition	Feb-Mar 20
Down, Down, Down	Oct-Nov 34

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Buzzards of Hinckley	Feb-Mar 34
Feathers in Full Bloom	Apr-May 12
One Cool Curlew	Oct-Nov 31
North American Ducks	Oct-Nov 24
Baltimore Oriole	Oct-Nov 16

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Man Fouls His Environment	Jun-Jul 18
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